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In re Application of :  
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For **SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHODS**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initiating the Examination of the above-described continuation application, Applicants herewith submit the following Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1 and add the following claim:

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2. A method of signal processing in a network, said method comprising the steps of:
- transmitting a command to one of a plurality of stations;
  - controlling a transmitter station on the basis of said command, said first step of controlling comprising the steps of:
    - (1) selecting a unit of mass medium programming;